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CASE et al.

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Examiner: J. Brusca

Title: METHODS OF USING RANDOMIZED LIBRARIES OF ZINC FINGER PROTEINS FOR THE IDENTIFICATION OF GENE FUNCTION

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SUMMARY OF TELEPHONIC INTERVIEW AND COMMUNICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This paper summarizes the telephonic interview held on August 1, 2002 which included Examiner Brusca, Sean Brennan and the undersigned. Prior to the interview, Examiner Brusca had indicated that all claims except claim 11 in the above-referenced application were in condition for allowance. During the interview, data (presented herewith in the form of a Declaration pursuant to 37 C.F.R. 1.132) was discussed and Examiner Brusca indicated that submission of this Rule 132 Declaration was sufficient to overcome the issues with claim 11. Thus, in view of the attached Declaration, Applicants submit that all claims are in condition for allowance and request early notification to that effect. Should the Examiner have any remaining issues, he is invited to contact the undersigned at the telephone number listed below.

Respectfully submitted,

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